



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Robert E. Smith III

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For: SEAL RETAINER WITH METAL
SEAL MEMBERS FOR UNDER-
SEA HYDRAULIC COUPLING

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment and Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed 04/27/2005 in connection with the captioned application. A Request for Continued Examination is enclosed with this Amendment and Response.

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